

COVID-19 Guidance for Visitors to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission Facilities or NRC-Sponsored Events

Visitors to U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) facilities or NRC-sponsored events should use this document to appropriately plan their visit. Members of the public¹ entering to obtain a public service or benefit,² must follow required workplace safety protocols³ while accessing the facility. Visitors are encouraged to perform a [self-health assessment](#) prior to accessing NRC facilities or NRC-sponsored events.

Current NRC Visitor Protocols⁴ Based on COVID-19 Hospital Admission Levels	
When the COVID-19 Hospital Admission Level is LOW in the county where a facility is located	<p>Masks: Mask-wearing is not required in that facility, regardless of vaccination status.</p> <p>NRC encourages individuals, regardless of vaccination status, to consider avoiding crowding and physically distancing themselves from others in indoor common areas and meeting rooms.</p> <p>COVID-19 Test: Not required.</p>
When the COVID-19 Hospital Admission Level is MEDIUM in the county where a facility is located	<p>Masks: Mask-wearing is not required in that facility, regardless of vaccination status. (If you are at "high-risk" for severe illness, talk to your health care provider about mask-wearing.)</p> <p>NRC encourages individuals, regardless of vaccination status, to consider avoiding crowding and physically distancing themselves from others in indoor common areas and meeting rooms.</p> <p>COVID-19 Test: Not required.</p>
When the COVID-19 Hospital Admission Level is HIGH in the county where a facility is located	<p>Masks: Mask-wearing is required in that facility, regardless of vaccination status and consistent with CDC and Safer Federal Workforce Task Force guidance on mask-wearing.</p> <p>NRC encourages individuals, regardless of vaccination status, to consider avoiding crowding and physically distancing themselves from others in indoor common areas and meeting rooms.</p> <p>COVID-19 Test: Not required.</p>

- ¹Members of the public are defined as any individual who is not an NRC employee or contractor.
- ²A public service or benefit for the NRC includes accessing the Public Document Room and attending NRC publicly noticed meetings.
- ³Delivery drivers, couriers, U.S. Postal Service employees, Federal Express employees, United Parcel Service employees, and other “transient visitors,” meaning visitors accessing a Federal facility for less than approximately 15 minutes who interact with very few people, are not required to present a completed Certification of Vaccination form, even when the local COVID-19 Hospital Admission Level in the county where the Federal facility is located is MEDIUM or HIGH. They are required to follow required safety protocols while accessing the facility.
- In applying these protocols:
 - persons in and on property must, at all times, comply with official signs of a prohibitory, regulatory, or directory nature, and with the lawful direction of Federal police officers and other authorized individuals (*41 CFR 102 - 74.385*).
 - individuals may wear a mask if they choose regardless of COVID-19 Hospital Admission Level.
 - consistent with CDC recommendations and Safer Federal Workforce Task Force guidance for quarantine and isolation, people with symptoms, a positive test or close contact to someone with COVID-19 should wear a mask for the required period of time.

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